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LET'S ALL GIVE THE LOCAL CHURCH A CHANCE

By A. W. MARTIN

FOR NEARLY THREE YEARS now the attention of Methodist people has been directed very largely toward the important task of creating and perfecting the organizational machinery necessary to the effective operation of the united Church. Now that this task is finished, at least for a quadrennium, it is extremely important that pastors and laymen alike should turn their attention toward the responsibilities and opportunities which can be met and dealt with successfully only through the proper functioning of the local church.

In this connection, it should be pointed out that it was the conviction that we already have enough overhead machinery, and to spare; as well as the economy motive, that influenced the South Central Jurisdictional Conference to vote overwhelmingly against the setting up of Jurisdictional organizations with staffs of workers. And while this Conference cannot, as more than one commentator has pointed out, be called "great," yet in the years to come it very likely will be regarded as a turning point in Methodism's history; when, by the grace of God and an unusual amount of plain stubbornness, a halt was called on the tendency to try to solve the Church's problems by setting up additional overhead agencies.

But no matter what the future may hold in store, the time has come and the way is now open for a fresh and vigorous emphasis upon the problems and the opportunities of the local church. No one in his right mind would think of suggesting that the far flung missionary enterprises of the Church should be ignored, or neglected; but if Methodism is to take her place in the world as a vigorous and dynamic Church something must be done, and that shortly, to revitalize the vast majority of local churches.

In the paragraphs that follow we venture to offer three suggestions that point in the direction of such vitalization. Limitations of space prevent detailed discussion. The writer hopes, however, that these suggestions will provoke others to express their opinions and convictions. Our Annual Conferences in Arkansas this fall should be given largely to the discussion and adoption of the major outlines of a program that Methodists in this state will try to carry out during the quadrennium just beginning. The suggestions offered here, let it be remembered, are not conceived as a total program for Arkansas Methodism, but simply as the points of major emphasis in what we fondly hope is a new day for the local church.

1. If the local church is to be revitalized, the process must start with the pastor. So our first suggestion is in favor of the type of preaching from our pulpits that boldly and without apology proclaims the Christian way of life as the remedy for our personal, our community, and our national ills. There is some uneasiness among preachers just now as to possible limitation of freedom of pulpit utterances in these difficult times. Real as that danger may be, there is another and, in my judgment, greater danger—a danger that grows out of our tendency as ministers to reflect in our preaching the current and popular brands of public hysteria. Right now it is popular to damn the Germans; so a great many ministers are yielding to the temptation to turn their sermons into proclamations of hatred and prejudice. Such temptations can be met and overcome only by sticking close to the teachings of Him who taught men to love rather than to hate, to forgive rather than to hold a grudge.

2. Recognition of personal contacts by both ministers and laymen as the most effective

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method of winning persons of all ages to and leading them in the Christian way of life. Public services and organized programs of activities are right and proper in their place, but the local church that depends upon them entirely will die of the dry rot. Not long ago I was with the district superintendent of the Jonesboro District and a fellow pastor in an outlying community checking the possibilities of establishing a Church School and a preaching appointment. In our visitation we discovered that the occasional Roman Catholic family in that community was visited regularly by a priest from a town nearly twenty miles away. And yet some of us wonder why the Roman Catholic Church manages to hold its constituency.

According to the most accurate information available at least four-fifths of our present membership has been won by personal attention, either of the pastor or local church workers. Every successful business concern is using friendly personal contacts as its chief method of holding old, and obtaining new business. Jesus depended upon this method almost altogether.

People are hungry today for kind words and friendly understanding. In my judgment, the Church that has the vision and the willingness to use this method will take this world for Christ. And no other Church can or will.

3. My third suggestion grows out of the other two. It calls for a missionary program with the local church as the center. Now, don't misunderstand me. I know something of, and I have a high appreciation for the truly great missionary program of the United Church. It is stupendous. But after all is said and done, that missionary program with all its magnificence is losing its grip upon the local church. And according to my way of thinking this loss in vital connection with the local church is due to the rather simple fact that down through the years the center of the Church's missionary program gradually moved from the local Church to Nashville and New York City.

Within walking distance of practically every Methodist Church in Arkansas are scores of men and women and young people who are just about as completely out of touch with vital Christian religion as if they lived in darkest Africa. In most, if not all of our districts, there are large areas lying between pastoral charges that from the standpoint of the Christian religion are little better than a pagan "no man's land."

It is my firm conviction that this host of unreached people cannot be reached with a missionary program out of New York City. If they are to be reached with the gospel, nearby churches must do most of the work.

The Conference and General Boards have an important part to play in such a program as I have indicated. Much of the general planning and program building must be done by them. But these same Boards will be wise if they put themselves in the attitude of servants rather than masters of the local church. The General Boards especially were granted enormous and far reaching powers by the recent General Conference, and these Boards can either make or break Methodism by the attitude which they assume toward local churches. Let us insist that the local church be made the center of united Methodism's effort

to reach, and save a dying world! And then, as pastor and people, let us lay ourselves out in unselfish service in the Master's name!

THE LATITUDES OF HOLINESS

JOHN EDWARD BUSHNELL speaks of "magnitudes beyond the narrows" from the words of the Master in Luke 12:50, "How am I straitened till it be accomplished." The child must pass the narrows of the alphabet and the multiplication table and the copy book before he reaches the magnitudes of learning and mathematics and the author's sphere. Narrow gates must usually be passed before the magnitudes are reached. But the glory is in the magnitudes, not in the gates. Or if there is glory in the gates it is reflected from the magnitudes beyond.

How narrow indeed is the gate of repentance! But beyond the gate are the expansive plains of pardon and peace. The gate of consecration is exceeding strait, but beyond the gate is Beulah Land. The gate of death is so narrow that one must walk through it without his friends, but beyond this gate is heaven.

Everyone is restricted when the things he desires to do are prohibited or penalized. He alone is free whose desires do not exceed his privileges. An apostle in a Philippian jail is free so long as he does not desire to go anywhere other than where he is; while the roamer of the seven seas is yet restricted if his happiness calls for more travel than the limits of time will allow.

The man who is scripturally "dead to the world" is the only one who is really free from the world. The man who is filled with the Holy Ghost is satisfied—not satiated, but satisfied. He wants nothing but the will of God, and this he finds without limitation. David rejoiced that God had brought him out into "a wealthy place" (some marginal readings say "a wide place"). The language is that of a man whose life feels no restrictions. He can go where he wishes, for all his desires are met in God. He is unaware of discipline, for he delights to do the will of God. There is room not for life only, but for life more abundant. Holiness is not the narrows—it is the magnitudes beyond the narrows. It is the land of broad valleys and wide plains and life without restriction.—Supt. Chapman in the Herald of Holiness.

ALL THINGS TO ALL MEN

CHRIST was a home missionary, in the house of Lazarus.

Christ was foreign missionary, when the Greeks came to Him.

Christ was a city missionary, when He taught in Samaria.

Christ was a Sunday School missionary, when He opened up the Scriptures and set men to studying the Word of God.

Christ was a children's missionary, when He took them in His arms and blessed them.

Christ was a missionary to the poor, when He opened the eyes of the blind beggar.

Christ was a missionary to the rich, when He opened the spiritual eyes of Zaccheus.

Even on the Cross, Christ was a missionary to the robber, and His last command was the missionary commission.—Amos R. Wells.

A GIFT of \$250,000 has been made to the University of Denver, a Methodist institution, to establish a building fund. The gift was made by Mrs. Verner Z. Reed, who had already made two previous gifts to the university—Margery Reed Mayo Memorial Hall and Mary Reed Library.

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Personal and Other Items

DR. L. L. EVANS, pastor of First Church, Ft. Smith, after attending the Jurisdictional Conference at Oklahoma City, went to El Paso, Texas, and on June 2, preached at Trinity Church of which he had been pastor. He and Mrs. Evans were present at the graduation of their son at the College of Mines, El Paso.

REV. DOYLE L. WILCOX, a superannuate of Little Rock Conference, who has been in very poor health for several years, writes that he can now walk a little if some one helps him, and he is improving so that he hopes again to become effective. Letters from friends are appreciated. His address is Malvern, Route 5.

THE city has a real stake in rural religion. The moral health, the spiritual vitality, the organized life of the city church, is dependent upon and will be increasingly dependent upon, the kind of morals, or spiritual life, of Christian character that is being produced in the rural church. If for no other reason, if only for its very life existence, the city must look well to the religious life of the country.—Ex.

REV. B. F. ROEBUCK, our pastor at Sheridan, called last week and added to the fine 100% list of subscribers which had been mailed in earlier. Bro. Roebuck always takes care of his subscription list. He also brought in one of the petitions for the better local option laws to be turned in to the Anti-Saloon League. A Daily Vacation Bible School has just been held in his church and everything is moving along well.

HAS the price of bread dropped consistently each year for the past 50 years? The price of electricity has. Have the prices of food, of clothes, of rents, of medical care, of all the other necessities of life taken a step downward each year for the past 50 years? They have not. Electricity has. Here they stand, political power propagandists, screaming ever for "cheap power" when power is cheaper today than any other necessity of life on the market, and getting cheaper despite tax burdens.—Geo. H. Bender, Congressman at Large from Ohio.

THE time has come for men in public life to raise the quality of statesmanship by sacrificing the political ego for the common good. Only by such an example can the thousands of men, young and old, in our midst be encouraged to make the supreme sacrifice of self. For such sacrifices will have to be made if the women and children in our cities are to be protected from the bombs that can be so readily dropped by aircraft operating from nearby ocean bases left unprotected by the defeat of Britain and France. Will America learn the lesson of her neglect of defenses of these last few years or will historians fix the blame for America's downfall on the blindness and selfishness of her political leaders of today?—David Lawrence in The United States News.

HURRY! HURRY! HURRY!

SIGNED petitions for the better Local Option Law are coming in every day to Anti-Saloon League headquarters; but they are not coming fast enough. The time is short. Those who are circulating petitions should speed up. Practically all pastors have them, and are urged to circulate them and report promptly. If other petitions are needed write Supt. Clyde C. Coulter, Donaghey Trust Bldg., Little Rock.

BOOK REVIEWS

Stars Are Shining; by Sister Rita Agnes; published by the Christopher Publishing House, Boston, Mass.; price \$1.25.

Many of these verses have appeared in poetry magazines and other magazines of merit. They lose none of their fragile loveliness collected here in a dainty volume titled "Stars Are Shining." It will prove to be refreshing reading for weary hours. Variety of form and a fairly wide range in themes add interest to the book. Boston College, in June 1935, conferred on Sister Rita Agnes the degree of Master of Arts.

The Church That Was and Is to Be; by Walter L. Ewing; published by the Methodist Book Concern; New York; price \$2.00.

This is a collection of six studies. They are planned to give to church members a clear and inspiring account of the origin, development, and present state of the Methodist Church and the possibilities that lie out ahead of us. It is both instructive and stimulating. The author insists: "We should . . . take again the oath of allegiance reaffirming our loyalty to Jesus and our everlasting hatred of sin of every kind. It is our task to drive out the spoilers of personality of all ages of mankind until the 'Jericho Roads' of this century shall become safe for even children to play thereon all the way from our Jerusalem to our Jericho. This Is Our Task!" The statement about the division of the Church in 1844 is wholly inadequate and misleading. It is to be regretted that many leaders of the Methodist Episcopal Church failed to understand the issues of 1844.

THE SOUTHWESTERN ADVOCATE SUSPENDS

IN the issue of June 13, is an announcement that the Board of Publications of The Southwestern Advocate, published at Dallas, Texas, had decided to suspend regular publication until October. Under Bishop John M. Moore, who has been serving as editor since the death of Dr. A. J. Weeks, a campaign had been put on for 25,000 subscribers to expire July 1. In this campaign 13,250 subscriptions had been secured and enough funds to meet all expenses to July 1. It had been the hope of the editor and publisher that this paper might become the organ of the Jurisdiction; but, since the Jurisdictional Conference had decided to have no Jurisdictional Organ, it was thought best to suspend publication until new arrangements could be made. The Board requested Bishop Moore to continue as editor, and he agreed on condition that 20,000 subscriptions at \$1.50 be secured, on the ground that only in that way could the paper be adequately supported.

We regret that this old and valuable paper has had to suspend even temporarily; but when Texas Methodism has had the experience of having no organ for several months, it may be

that the membership will demand continuance and will get behind it in a practical way and make it better than ever. The 700,000 Methodists in the patronizing territory need a great paper, and can have one if they seriously decide to maintain it. It should have not merely 20,000 subscribers, but 50,000, and we trust that eventually it will have them.

We heartily approve the plan to have a great national Methodist weekly, and hope plans will mature that will result in giving Methodism the greatest denominational journal that has ever been produced. But when that is done, it will not relieve the necessity for Conference organs. Consequently we look forward to the time in the near future when Methodists will be so fully informed that they will more loyally support all the institutions and activities of the Church.

APPRECIATION OF BISHOP SELECMAN

WHEREAS, Bishop Charles C. Selecman, of the Oklahoma City Area has been the presiding bishop of the Arkansas Conferences for the past two years; and,

Whereas, in this period of his general superintendency he has wrought magnificently among us, always exceeding the evident demands of his office by setting no limit of time or hardship upon his travel and service in the interest of our churches; and,

Whereas, under his strong and competent leadership we have been led into a new and more determined commitment to the evangelistic mission of our Church, and, moreover, have been made increasingly to prize the incalculable worth of our greatest local educational asset, Hendrix College and its wonderfully able faculty and administration; and,

Whereas, the South Central Jurisdictional Conference, in recent session, has reassigned him to the episcopal supervision of our Conferences:

Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the pastors and brethren of the Little Rock District of the Little Rock Conference, in session at the First Church, Little Rock, June 13, that we welcome Bishop Selecman and convey to him and to our kindred beyond, this expression of our happiness over his return to Arkansas, of our supporting prayers, and of our high anticipation of a saving victory under his wise and fatherly leadership.—H. Mellen Fikes, Gaston Foote, Clem Baker, Committee.

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CIRCULATION REPORT

SINCE last report the following subscriptions have been received: Stuttgart, Grand Ave., R. E. Darrow, 1; Desha, Silas Dixon, by Mrs. W. R. Shelpman, 2; Sheridan, B. F. Roebuck, 1; Stuttgart, First Church, R. L. Long, 1; Fountain Hill Ct., Eldred Blakely, 1; Fairview, Texarkana, O. W. Teague, 1; Imboden, C. E. Gray, 2; Hawley Memorial, J. A. Henderson, 100%, 31; Asbury, R. B. Moore, by Harden Bale, 38; First Church, Jonesboro, A. W. Martin, 8; Texarkana Ct., K. A. Hale, finishes 100% for Harmony Grove, Few Memorial, and Rondo, 19; Pottsville, Irl Bridenthal, 100%, 21; Smackover, W. L. Arnold, by Mrs. Roy Price, 2. Good work, appreciated. May many other pastors follow so that their members may know United Methodism.

A Guide to Understanding the Bible

By Harry Emerson Fosdick

A Digest by Chas. Franklin
CHAPTER VI

The Idea of Immortality

In passing into the New Testament the same ways of thinking used by Palestinian Jews to express their future hopes were used also by the first Christians. In the teachings attributed to Jesus in the Synoptic Gospels there are five major elements. 1. Hades was to Him an intermediate state between death and resurrection. "Paradise" and "Abraham's bosom" refer not to final destinies in an eternal heaven, but to the intermediate fate of the dead between death and the resurrection. 2. Again, the supernatural advent of the Messiah is prominent in the reported words of Jesus. Even the accent of immediacy is in Jesus' words, showing the influence of the prevalent Jewish apocalypticism. 3. Also, the resurrection of the body stands clear in Jesus' reported teaching. A re-embodied life, however rarefied and sublimated, was involved of necessity in the whole dramatic picture of the future which Jesus shared with his race and time. 4. The picturesque inauguration of the Messianic age by a last judgment repeatedly appears in the teaching of Jesus. The Kingdom of God was interpreted by Jesus in terms of spiritual quality, so that in a real sense men enter the Kingdom now and find in the future age the flowering out and the full release of the life with God and with one another that begins here. 5. And lastly, hell, as the ultimate destiny of the wicked, was another inherited factor in the thinking of Jesus. There is no clear reason for supposing that Jesus entertained any mitigating thought about what he called eternal punishment, or saw any end to the quenchless fire. "He took over the contemporary pattern of thought about hell."

And yet the advent of Jesus did in the end make an epochal difference in man's outlook on immortality. In the New Testament from the beginning the reader is in an atmosphere of radiant hope concerning life eternal. Indeed the vividness with which the first Jewish Christians continued to use their inherited categories is obvious in the way they thought of Jesus' death, his intermediate stay in Sheol, and his bodily resurrection. Millions of Christians still confess their faith that Jesus, when he died, "descended into hell," that He preached unto the spirits in prison. His resurrection was a resuscitation of the flesh with all of its earthly functions still intact. His body still bears the wounds of crucifixion. It can eat food; and yet it can appear and disappear, passing through closed doors, and at last ascend visibly through the clouds into the sky. The one satisfactory proof that the apparition was not a ghost but a resurrected man lay in the evidence of "flesh and bones." Paul's Jewish training and heritage prevented his accepting of the Greek idea of soul as immaterial; and yet he says "flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God." "It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body." The Book of Revelation is at odds with the Synoptic Gospels in having not one resurrection, but

two, with a millennial reign of the Messiah on earth between. There was the "Jewish insistence on keeping the body" as part of the future hope, associated with the Jewish apocalyptic drama.

That the Fourth Gospel shows Hellenistic influence is clear. The opening verses concerning the Logos would be understood, because the ideas of Hellenism were in the air. The Greeks taught the immortality of the soul, the Jews taught the resurrection of the body, an idea alien to the Greek mind at its best. The Judgment day, according to the Fourth Gospel, is not so much external and future as internal and present. Insofar as divine Judgment takes place, it is operative here and now, an inherent testing of life by its responses to opportunity. Jewish dramatics have disappeared and only a spiritual residuum remains. The second coming of Christ in the Fourth Gospel loses its theatricality and becomes a present spiritual experience. Far from being a visible, external manifestation, the world cannot see Him, and only those who love Him and are loved by Him will inwardly know this divine parousia. The great hope of this Gospel is not any kind of reign on earth, but "eternal life," and even this, far from being a post-mortem goal, is a present, interior possession of the soul. The dramatic scene of the general resurrection is spiritualized and made a present event in the souls of men. They already possess eternal life. Physical death, therefore, is only an incident. In general the best thinking of the Church has followed the Fourth Gospel; but always the old picturesque apocalyptic drama, with its intermediate state, bodily resurrection, theatrical parousia and millennial reign, has lured the imagination of multitudes. In the Johannine thought of the future there doubtless is a consummation in time by which the quality of spirit constituting life eternal will be crowned. This vivid apprehension of eternal life as a present possession is so real that he who has it has already received Christ's second coming, passed through the judgment, and been raised from the dead.

The deepest convictions of men in favor of future hope have come not so much from those who have framed arguments for it as from those who have heightened life's spiritual values. Jesus never argued for immortality. The interior fellowship of the soul with God is "eternal life." And "What is excellent, as God lives, is permanent." "I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob—God is not the God of the dead but of the living." The souls for whom God cares are always living, and not dead. However, the development of the ideas and stories related with Jesus' resurrection presents one of the most tangled, if not altogether insoluble, problems faced by New Testament scholarship. The New Testament plainly indicates two kinds of experience as bases of faith in Jesus' continued life—one, the empty tomb and its associated events; the other, appearances of the heavenly Christ to various people, especially to Paul at his conversion. Chronologically, the written records of these spiritual visions of the heavenly Christ are the earlier. "What if faith in Jesus' continued life originated in such spiritual experiences and was translated afterwards into stories of physical resurrection by the inveterate

Jewish-Christian idea that without such revivification no life after death was conceivable." Certainly it must be said that such experiences as Paul had on the Damascus road are intelligible and have often been reproduced in Christian history, but that as soon as we pass to the later writings, where the empty tomb and its related events are involved, we find ourselves amid dubious evidence and irreconcilable confusion. No straight forward dealing with these and other similar facts can resolve their incompatibility into even the semblance of consistent narrative. The narratives contradict each other on every important detail. Paul did not believe in the resurrection of the flesh. There is a profound disparity between his spiritual conceptions and the stories of a revived body with its physical functions intact. It is therefore easily possible that the New Testament's radiant confidence in Jesus' continued life had more profoundly spiritual origins than an empty tomb. It may have been that Jesus appeared to them in self-revelations, whether outwardly visible or inwardly spiritual, as the result of their own kindled faith. And it may have been that the more physical representations of the dis-entombment may have been an aftermath. However, this hypothesis leaves still unanswered a host of questions. Only one thing is certain—the towering faith in the New Testament that Jesus is alive. By whatever route the first Christians arrived at that faith, their arrival itself is clear. Fortunately, the sharing of this faith that Jesus is not dead, but alive, does not depend on any hypothesis as to its origin in the New Testament.

While Paul always expected the speedy advent of Christ, the old apocalyptic scheme with its dramatic details was in his thinking increasingly sublimated. This climactic experience became less an external and imposed event and more the fulfillment of the Christian's present blessedness. The external dramatics of the traditional apocalyptic tended to grow dim. One thing is certain: with Paul as with the Fourth Gospel, the richness of present spiritual life in Christ was such that the central meanings of the apocalyptic drama tended to be conceived as already consummated for faithful believers. Death, therefore, was to them an incident, a transition from this fleshly body to being "with the Lord." Almost complete reticence characterizes Paul's epistles with reference to the final estate of the wicked. From all the evidence, Paul could not have believed in the resurrection of the wicked; certainly they are not clearly placed in his picture of the ultimate outcome of the cosmos; whether they pass out of existence or remain in Sheol separated from Christ and his kingdom, it is difficult to say. Whether annihilation or endless torment is not evident. Paul's positive pictures of the ultimate triumph of God over all opposing forces at times suggests universalism—"that God may be all in all." It is God's purpose through Christ to "reconcile all things unto himself." At his name every knee shall bow; and this will be true, says Paul in all three levels of the cosmos, "of things in heaven and things on earth and things under the earth." God will "sum up all things in Christ." Considered as a whole, the development of ideas in the Bible concerning the future life

represents one of the most notable and influential unfoldings of thought in history. The Bible records a long development of experience and thought consummated at last in Christ, "who abolished death, and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel."

(The End)

The Campus Goes Co-operative

By SUSIE McKINNON MILLAR

CHAPTER XXV

"Allie, Allie, Allie-e-e-e!" shouted Earl. "Can't you wait for me? I've been sprinting after you ever since I saw you leave the Library. If the Gym hadn't been so far away, I'd have caught up with you sooner. Where've you been keeping yourself? I haven't seen you for ages."

"I've been circulating around and about, not hiding at all, but I've been studying, or trying to. Now laugh. I'll not mind, for I can still distinctly remember when the thought of studying made me laugh, and that not so many days ago."

"I'm doing a little stitch of studying myself," admitted Earl. "So why should I laugh?"

"You always did study, or at least you always got the grades that are supposed to go with study."

"I didn't chase after you to talk about my grades. I want to talk about you. I've been missing you an awful lot. So when Cecelia invited me out to dinner the other night, I fell all over myself accepting the invitation because I supposed of course you'd be there and we'd have at least one topping good dance together before I had to leave. But, no, you were not there and Cecelia wouldn't tell me why. She said something about you getting Helen Wilson to help you on French. But that's nothing to fall out about. What really did happen to you and Cecelia? I thought you and she were friends for life, that nothing could separate you."

"I thought so, too," said Allie. "But it seems that I was mistaken."

"What's happened? Maybe I can help to straighten it out. I'm a great little fixer. I'd have made Cecelia tell me last night, but Frank and I had to rush away before the dinner was over, because we wanted to get back in time for the Forum. Just did make it."

"And I'm glad you made it," asserted Allie. "That was a great talk. Imagine my surprise when you got up and started talking. I liked your idea of opening all those contests to everyone who wishes to enter the tryout. I never had realized before how small and self-centered sororities and fraternities were becoming."

"Thanks for the bouquet about my speech," laughed Earl. "We're off for an even start, though, Allie, for I never realized until last night how unrelated and purposeless our campus activities are. We'll have to decide on a few worth-while things to work toward and then organize and work together. But how'd you happen to be at the Forum? I didn't think I'd make a Forumite out of you just by stealing you away from the dance and taking you to that special Forum program. You said you thought some of the students were too rash and radical. So the Forum was the last place on the campus I'd have thought to look

for you, my dear sophisticated lady." "Just for that dirty dig," said Allie, "I'm tempted to walk off and refuse to tell you. And I'd do just that except for the fact that I'm interested in this new idea you and Frank are planning to try out. I want to help if you think I can."

"I'll say you can! You can put your sorority on the map definitely by arranging and broadcasting that Christmas program. I don't know any little program arranger better than you, and, if you'll allow me to say it, your voice is the best I've ever heard."

"That's sweet of you, Earl," said Allie sadly, "but I'm out of the running. I'm the black sheep in our sorority. Someone else has been chosen to take my place in the quartet."

"Well, of all the dumb stunts!" exclaimed Earl. "The nerve of some people! They deserve to lose. Don't they know a good thing when they've got it?"

"Oh, I'm not so important. But it hurts to be dropped."

"Tell me about it," urged Earl. "I'm sure I can help straighten this out."

"It all grew out of my asking that new girl down at the Coop, Helen Wilson, to help me with Conversational French. She's right there with the goods, too, let me tell you. She's lived and studied in Paris so long that she speaks with a perfect accent and is familiar with their everlasting old idioms. She could teach even a dumber nut than I to speak. And she's as refined and lovely as any girl I've ever known. I consider myself fortunate in having found such a friend to help me. And she'll help me in more vital things than French."

"Sounds good to me. But how does that let you out with Cecelia?"

"For some reason Cecelia dislikes Helen very much," said Allie. "But she won't tell me why, nor let me talk to her about Helen. She insists that I insult her and dishonor the sorority every time I speak to or of Helen. She insists that I must simply drop Helen or find myself dropped. But you know me. I'm every bit as stubborn as Cecelia. And I certainly intend to preserve my right to select my own friends. Helen's a treasure, and I'm learning lots besides conversational French from her."

"I believe you are; but you must not be shut out of all the contests, especially not out of that Christmas program broadcast. If that bunch of nit-wits don't wake up and come to their senses, how about joining the Forum Chorus and giving the sorority a jolt?"

"Oh, I couldn't do that," declared Allie. "Even if they won't let me work for them I can't work against them. I'm going to the Forum as often as I can because they are opening my eyes to a lot of phases of life I'd never considered important, but I'm not going to join because then I'd have to work with them even against my old sorority. I'm not withdrawing from the sorority nor breaking any part of my pledge. They simply can't find any excuse for dropping me."

"I guess you're right about that," said Earl. "And I glory in your spunk when you insist on selecting your own friends. I'm not joining the Forum either because I can't let my Athletic Club down. I've promised Frank that I'd round up my buddies and work with them whenever and wherever we could."

"I think we'd all lead a much

Women's Department of Christian Service

MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor

Communications should be received not later than Saturday for the following week.

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MACEY AUXILIARY

The Society met June 7, for study and business meeting in the home of Mrs. Thurman Hout.

The meeting opened with song, and scripture reading by Mrs. Thurman Hout, followed with prayer by Mrs. Rena Grogg.

Mrs. J. E. Harrell, president, presided at the business meeting during which reports from officers and committees were heard and missionary offerings made.

The Society voted to sponsor an ice cream social to be held on the church lawn Friday night, June 21.

Mrs. Dewitt Haynes, study superintendent, gave the first lesson on "The Life of Christ" which we have taken up as our summer Bible study.

After the session was closed with prayer. Mrs. John Hout led a spiritual life program. At the close of the program the hostess served ice cream and cookies.

We were delighted to have as a new member, Mrs. Bert Sembler and as a visitor, Mrs. C. L. McClelland.

We will meet June 21, with Mrs. Joe Harrell for a year book study and social.—Mrs. D. Haynes. Reporter.

JEWEL ELLIS CIRCLE OF MACEY

The Jewel Ellis Circle met in the home of Mrs. Gordon Green, June 7, at 2:30. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Frankie De Fries. Prayer by Mrs. Talmage Harrell. Report of officers was given and committees appointed.

fuller and happier life here on the campus," said Allie, "if we'd learn to cooperate more. Then we'd be trained to take a more active part in affairs when we get out into the world."

"And into the real business of living. By George! I believe here's where we wake up and really begin to live. Say, Allie, you sure hit the nail on the head when you said it would take a heap of cooperation to make a go of it."

"Yes, I'm thoroughly sold on the idea of cooperation, and I believe it will work here and, if here, why not after we get out into the world? Why, just see what Helen and those girls are beginning to accomplish. And I shouldn't think it would be any easy matter to bring those girls from such different types of homes to working successfully together. You just ought to go down to the Coop and see them working and playing together. It's just a little pattern of what might be accomplished on a larger scale out in the world. I'm beginning to see some work ahead of me and I'm eager to get out and get at it."

"And I'm beginning to see plainer than ever that you'll simply have to lead me through this cooperative scheme if I'm to get anywhere with it here or after we get out into the world. How about it, Allie? Shall we cooperate?"

"To bring Campus Freedom to every student in dear old Welton, yes," laughed Allie.

(To be continued)

There were six members present and four new ones added to the list.

The next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Henry Ball, Friday, June 21. At the close of the session, ice cream was served by the hostess.

—Jane Foster Haynes, Reporter.

EUREKA SPRINGS AUXILIARY

The Missionary Society of Eureka Springs has just completed its mission study course. Mrs. G. G. Davidson was the instructor.

Using "Homeland Harvest" as the text, individual members of the Society were assigned chapters upon which they reported.

The meetings were held in the church and the course was completed in four morning sessions, all of which were well attended.

Earlier in the year the Society completed its Bible study, "Great Souls at Prayer."

At the May meeting the Edith Martin Circle presented Joe Trimble Lee, the infant son of their sponsor, Mrs. Joe M. Lee, with a life membership.—Mrs. G. M. Fentem, Reporter.

ZONE MEETING AT EAST VAN BUREN

Zone No. 1 of the Ft. Smith District held its second quarterly meeting at East Van Buren Church June 5, beginning with a noon luncheon served by the hostess Auxiliary.

Rev. J. T. Byrd of First Church, Van Buren, gave us a splendid message on "Being A Blessing." Rev. F. G. Villines, the host pastor, led our prayer. As a special musical number Miss Grace Charlotte Faber of East Van Buren Church favored us with a selection from Rigoletta on the piano-accordion.

Mrs. Homer Earl was asked to serve as secretary for the meeting following, at which Mrs. Sam Wakefield, the Zone Leader, presided. Mrs. Sam Galloway was named chairman of a courtesy committee. Visitors of note were presented.

The following program was then given:

Our District in the 1939 Report—Mrs. J. B. Randolph of Altus, District Secretary.

Goals for 1940—Mrs. W. T. Bacon, Booneville, Conference Treasurer.

The Oklahoma City Jurisdictional Conference—Mrs. Fred Lark of Alma.

Report on the Nellie Dyer Gift Box—Mrs. W. V. Womack, Ft. Smith, Chairman of the Project.

Mrs. Ben Bedwell of Goddard Memorial Church, was in charge of a clever presentation of the World Outlook, with her twelve assistants. The presentation was concluded with singing the words, subscribe, subscribe, to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne."

Rev. W. V. Womack, District Superintendent, gave a number of helpful suggestions and words of commendation, as well as some interesting information. He stressed the value of Vacation Church Schools,

and urged our cooperation.

In a short business session, the delegations answered to the roll call by responding to the questions, "Will you strive to be able to report 'paid up to date' at that time?"

Second Church, Ft. Smith, extended an invitation to entertain at our next Zone meeting which was set for the early part of August. Then the collection was taken, the Courtesy Committee report read, by Mrs. Boyd and the secretary's minutes read and approved.

"Take My Life and Let It Be" was read in unison as a consecration prayer and Rev. W. V. Womack concluded our prayer in dismissal.—Mrs. Sam Wakefield.

BANCROFT SPEAKS



MR. E. DOW BANCROFT

One of the gifted speakers to be heard at Mount Sequoyah this summer will be E. Dow Bancroft in the Conference and School for Laymen to be held there July 8-12.

E. Dow Bancroft has been heard in Laymen's Conferences in the South before and with great pleasure and profit, twice at Lake Junaluska and twice at Mount Sequoyah. He always thrills and interests his hearers.

Dow Bancroft is a layman with a fine background of experience in local churches, Secretary of Y. M. C. A., and Secretary of the Commission on Men's Work of the Methodist Episcopal Church. No man in the Methodist Church has worked harder or more effectively for a great Autonomous Board for Laymen in United Methodism. Those who have met Mr. Bancroft in former Conferences will be looking forward eagerly to seeing and hearing him again this summer at Mount Sequoyah. Those who will be meeting him for the first time will be charmed by his genial personality and his forceful and effective messages.

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SPIRITUAL DEFENSE NEEDS ARE IMPERATIVE

Americans must prepare a spiritual defense as well as a national defense, A. Longstreth Heiskell, Memphis attorney, told men of the Greater Little Rock churches at their semi-annual dinner last week at the First Christian Church. "The United States," he said, "needs something more than a defense which will protect our material wealth against foreign invasion."

"The Second World War will have been fought in vain unless we shall be able to pass on to posterity a religion of love and fellowship."

"Separation of church and state relieved the state of responsibility for religious training. The present generation has failed to keep spiritual progress abreast with material progress."

"We have made little spiritual advancement in that we can pray no purer prayers than were offered by Solomon, nor sing songs as sweet as the psalms of David."

LAYMEN'S RELATION TO CHURCH IS STRESSED

If the churches are to be revitalized and their problems solved, laymen must take a more active interest in church affairs, John G. Moore, Morrilton, associate lay leader for the Conway District of the North Arkansas Conference, told laymen representing six Methodist churches at a recent meeting at Atkins.

L. L. Evans of Atkins presided. The meeting was called to present plans for the organization of men to study and promote the missionary interests of the church. Other speakers were C. A. Hughes, Russellville, and Fred A. Smith, Dardanelle. The Russellville, Atkins, Morrilton, Dardanelle, Opello and Pottsville churches were represented. The organization meeting will be held July 1, at Pottsville.

PASTOR IN TRIBUTE TO LAYMEN

Rev. Claude R. Roy, pastor of the Forest Park church, Little Rock, has plans for wider observance of Laymen's Day than one day's services would permit. C. K. Wilkerson, lay leader for the Little Rock District, spoke at the morning service June 9, and C. P. Newton, Bible School teacher, spoke that night.

The Forest Park pastor plans to have other leading laymen and women deliver addresses before his congregation. Of activities by laymen he said: "This is not a departure from a custom, but rather a return to a custom that characterized the beginning of the Christian Church, and was a very great factor in the rise of Wesleyan Methodism, for many of the most effective workers in the early days were laymen."

LAYMEN'S DAY WIDELY OBSERVED

Reports from over the state indicate that Laymen's Day, June 9, was widely observed. Some churches have indicated that special services are being planned later in the summer in which the laymen will be the principal speakers. It also is of interest to note the increased interest in lay activities is not limited to Methodists. At Camden a Layman's League was organized recently at the First Christian Church.

Christian Education

CAMP FOR CHILDREN'S WORKERS

Seventeen Conferences are planning for a Conference-wide meeting of children's workers for this summer. These will provide three or four days of intensive study of children's work, with the workers assembled in a camp situation or on a college campus, a time for enrichment, fellowship, inspiration and of doing together things that children like to do.

The value of work conferences was demonstrated recently in the several work institutes for Vacation Church Schools. This is the first year that the Little Rock Conference has held a camp conference. No better place could have been chosen than FERNCLIFFE. The date is July 9 to 11. Many churches are sending an official delegate, others are having a representative for each of the age groups in the Children's Division.

The leaders for the age group discussions could not be surpassed, for the Nursery, Miss Lula Doyle Baird, of Morrilton, Director of Children's Work in the North Arkansas Conference; Primary, Mrs. C. W. Kent, Waxahachie, Texas, director in the Central Texas Conference; Beginner, Mrs. L. P. Hutton, Kindergarten teacher of Little Rock; Junior, Mrs. Clay Smith, author of texts for Juniors and accredited instructor.

The latest methods of teaching will be discussed and various activities worked out. No church can afford to miss this opportunity for training their workers with children. —Fay McRae, Director of Children's Work, Little Rock Conference.

REPORT YOUR VACATION SCHOOL

Fine reports of vacation schools are coming to our office. Pastors are reporting that they have or are now having the best school they have ever known.

Should you not have blanks for reporting, please let our office know and we will be glad to send blanks to any church in North Arkansas Conference. Be sure to have your school reported.

The reports indicate that we are having many more schools than have ever been held in any former year. —Ira A. Brumley.

YOUTH ASSEMBLIES HELD

The past two weeks have been assembly weeks for North Arkansas. Many would say that two assemblies, while not as large in numbers as last year, have been the best we have ever held in North Arkansas.

The young people in these assemblies did an excellent type of work. These assemblies have really been leadership assemblies. —Ira A. Brumley.

CAMP SEQUOYAH, JUNE 24-28

Our camp at Mt. Sequoyah for Intermediates, ages 12-14, of the Ft. Smith and Fayetteville Districts, will be held for four days, June 24-28. A fine staff of workers has been selected.

Some Intermediates of Missouri and Oklahoma have asked to be permitted to attend. Already six Intermediates of Springfield, Mo. have sent in their reservations.

We are counting on fine delegations for the camp from Ft. Smith and Fayetteville Districts. —Ira A. Brumley.

DOCTOR WEBB TO OFFER REVELATION TWICE

The program committee of the Pastor's School is asking Doctor Webb to offer the course on Revelation at both the second and fourth periods. This means that he will not offer the other course on Amos and Hosea.

This change is being made because of the great demand for the course on Revelation and the little desire for the course on Amos and Hosea. This announcement is being made so that those planning to take Amos and Hosea can have time to plan for another course. —Ira A. Brumley.

TEXT MATERIAL CHANGE

Rev. O. W. Moerner has requested that the members of his class in MUSIC IN THE SMALL CHURCH plan to use Dr. Fagan Thompson's MUSIC AND WORSHIP instead of Doctor Washburn's HYMN INSPIRATIONS. This change is for the course in the Pastor's School. —Ira A. Brumley.

THE MAGNOLIA ASSEMBLY

The Magnolia Christian Adventure Assembly from Camden, Prescott and Texarkana Districts, was held at the college in Magnolia last week. Rev. R. E. Fawcett was Dean and Rev. C. H. Giessen was Registrar and Dean of men. Assisting these were a splendid group of adult leaders. The enrollment was good but not quite so large as last year. This assembly is particularly to be commended upon its fine student organization and cooperation for the good of the Assembly by all, having official position. It was my privilege to be present on both the opening and closing days. —Clem Baker.

THREE ASSEMBLIES NEXT WEEK

The Assembly For Older Young People—The second section of Young People's Assembly for those 18-24, will open at Hendrix College Monday, and continue till Friday noon. Rev. Arthur Terry is Dean. This is the first time we have had an Assembly just for this age group and we are looking forward with keen interest to its outcome.

Camp Ferncliffe—Camp Ferncliffe for the Junior High boys and girls of Arkadelphia and Little Rock Districts will be in session at Ferncliffe from Monday afternoon, June 24, to Friday noon, June 28. Rev. Fred Harrison is director.

The Camden District Adult Assembly.—For the first time in our Conference we are having an Adult Assembly sponsored by the Camden District with Rev. Leland Clegg as Dean. This is for all Adults 24 years of age and above, who are interested in any phase of the work of the church. It opens Tuesday afternoon, June 25, and closes with the noon meal Thursday, June 27. All sessions will be held at Magnolia College. —Clem Baker.

OUR FIRST CHILDREN'S WORKERS CAMP

Another forward step in Little Rock Conference is to be the Camp For Children's Workers to be held for the entire Conference at Ferncliffe July 9-11. An unusually strong group of leaders has been secured and prospects are good for attendance. Our Conference Director of Children's Work is the Dean. We can not too strongly recommend this Camp for earnest children's workers. It is hoped that every district will have a good delegation. The

camp opens Tuesday afternoon, July 9, and closes with the noon meal Thursday, July 11. The entire cost is only \$3.50.—Clem Baker.

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE—HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE —MAY 10-JUNE 10

| Batesville District | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Bethesda | \$ 1.47 |
| Calico Rock | 6.32 |
| Gassville | .75 |
| Cotter | 23.20 |
| Hopewell | .32 |
| Salado | .77 |
| Melbourne | 1.61 |
| Newark | 2.10 |
| Oak Grove | 1.10 |
| Tuckerman | 3.47 |
| Yellville | 2.00 |
| Total | \$43.21 |

| Conway District | |
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| Atkins | \$ 2.50 |
| Havana | 1.79 |
| Conway | 50.00 |
| Danville | 3.12 |
| Greenbrier | 1.42 |
| N. L. R., First | 7.84 |
| Gardner Memorial | 3.00 |
| Washington Avenue | 7.41 |
| Bigelow | .52 |
| Plainview | 3.00 |
| Vilonia | 2.52 |
| Cypress Valley | 1.00 |
| Total | \$84.12 |

| Fayetteville District | |
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| Berryville | \$ 1.56 |
| Oakley's Chapel | 1.70 |
| Elm Springs | 2.51 |
| Falling Springs | 1.00 |
| Green Forest | 1.25 |
| Prairie Grove | 14.18 |
| Monte Ne | 1.25 |
| Total | \$23.45 |

| Ft. Smith District | |
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| Mulberry | \$ 1.37 |
| Clarksville | 8.00 |
| Goddard Memorial | 7.35 |
| Second Methodist | 4.50 |
| Greenwood | 10.50 |
| Hays Chapel | 2.89 |
| Spadra | 3.46 |
| Huntington | 2.48 |
| Kibler | 2.00 |
| Mountain View | 1.43 |
| New Hope | 3.74 |
| Central | 1.00 |
| Mansfield | 3.10 |
| Prairie View | 1.00 |
| South Ft. Smith | 3.00 |
| Total | \$55.88 |

| Helena District | |
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| Colt | \$ 1.06 |
| Wesley | 1.02 |
| Crawfordsville | 1.80 |
| Parkin | 5.62 |
| Vandale | 1.75 |
| Widener | 2.00 |
| West Memphis | 17.25 |
| Total | \$30.51 |

| Jonesboro District | |
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| Promised Land | \$ 1.00 |
| Bono | .70 |
| Pleasant Grove | .25 |
| Dyess | 1.50 |
| Joiner | 4.48 |
| Forest Home | 1.00 |
| Mt. Carmel | 1.00 |
| Keiser | 3.02 |
| Leachville | 2.61 |
| Lake City | 1.00 |
| Marked Tree | 24.00 |
| Black Oak | 1.50 |
| Macey | 2.36 |
| Monette | 2.00 |
| Osceola | 4.00 |
| Trumann | 6.00 |
| Turrell | 3.80 |
| Total | \$60.22 |

| Paragould District | |
|--------------------|---------|
| Biggers | \$.50 |
| Portia | 1.40 |
| Walnut Ridge | 3.00 |
| Old Walnut Ridge | .88 |
| Ravenden Springs | 1.12 |
| Mammoth Spring | 1.38 |
| Marmaduke | 2.00 |
| Paragould, First | 13.66 |
| Piggott | 4.67 |
| Pocahontas | 7.29 |
| Emmons Chapel | 3.00 |
| Total | \$38.90 |

| Searcy District | |
|-----------------|---------|
| Bald Knob | \$ 2.00 |
| Bradford | 5.00 |
| Beebe | 5.00 |
| Cabot | 5.00 |
| Griffithville | 1.55 |
| Gregory | 1.50 |
| Ellis Chapel | 1.00 |
| Heber Springs | 8.96 |
| Jacksonville | 3.00 |
| Garner | 1.44 |
| McRae | 2.80 |
| Oak Grove | .80 |
| Pangburn | 1.00 |
| Smyrna | .84 |
| New Hope | .35 |
| Valley Springs | 2.00 |
| Total | \$42.24 |

—Ira A. Brumley, Treas.

CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OFFERINGS, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Received since our last report up to June 15.

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| Bethlehem (Dalark Ct.) | \$ 5.00 |
| Mt. Carmel (Holly Spgs. Ct.) | 2.00 |
| New Salem (Hot Spgs. Ct.) | 3.00 |
| Harrell | 5.00 |
| Mt. Prospect | 6.25 |
| Stephens | 14.65 |
| Temperance Hill | 2.50 |
| Martindale | 2.70 |
| Watson | 5.00 |
| Pine Bluff Circuit | 2.00 |
| Total | \$48.20 |

Paid by Districts

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| Little Rock | \$ 596.94 |
| Pine Bluff | 469.86 |
| Camden | 423.12 |
| Arkadelphia | 323.50 |
| Monticello | 302.74 |
| Prescott | 278.45 |
| Texarkana | 267.00 |
| Total | \$2661.61 |

FOUR MORE PASTORS GO ON HONOR ROLL MAKING 77 IN ALL

While our offerings were not large this week, four more charges paid out in full and placed their pastor's name on the Honor Roll. They are: Joe H. Robinson, Dalark charge; M. E. Scott, Stephens-Mt. Prospect charge; F. C. Cannon, Arkansas City-Watson charge, and J. C. Williams, Holly Springs charge.—C. K. Wilkerson, Treasurer.

HENDRIX STUDENT LOAN FUND

Treasurer's Report of Remittances Received on the Hendrix College Student Loan Fund through June 15.

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| Arkadelphia District | |
| Arkadelphia Station | \$ 56.62 |
| Benton Station | 21.70 |
| Dalark Circuit | 10.00 |
| Hot Springs: | |
| First Church | 54.00 |
| Grand Avenue | 10.00 |
| Oaklawn Church | 5.00 |
| Pullman Heights | 5.25 |
| Hot Springs Circuit | 1.00 |
| Leola Circuit | 2.00 |
| Malvern Circuit | 2.00 |
| Malvern Station | 38.00 |
| Sparkman-Sardis | 10.00 |
| Traskwood Circuit | 4.00 |
| Total | \$219.57 |

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| Camden District | |
| Bearden | \$ 10.00 |
| Camden | 315.00 |
| Chidester | 4.50 |
| El Dorado: | |
| First Church | 438.00 |
| Vantrease | 10.94 |
| Fairview-Harmony Grove | 2.20 |
| Fordyce | 27.99 |
| Hampton-Harrell | 2.50 |
| Huttig | 6.00 |
| Junction City Ct. | 8.76 |
| Louann | 6.10 |
| Magnolia Station | 40.00 |
| Norphlet | 3.00 |
| Smackover | 15.00 |
| Stephens | 10.00 |
| Strong Circuit | 7.75 |
| Thornton Circuit | 7.86 |
| Waldo | 14.00 |
| Parker's Chapel-Fredonia | 16.65 |
| Total | \$946.25 |

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| Little Rock District | |
| Austin Circuit | \$ 11.00 |
| Bauxite-Sardis | 15.00 |
| Bryant Circuit | 4.00 |
| Carlisle Station | 31.00 |
| Des Arc-DeValls Bluff | 5.00 |
| Douglasville-G. Springs | 20.00 |
| England | 21.20 |
| Hazen | 7.50 |
| Little Rock: | |
| Asbury | 25.05 |
| Capitol View | 16.43 |
| First Church | 170.00 |
| Forest Park | 10.00 |
| Henderson | 6.00 |
| Highland | 30.00 |
| Hunter Memorial | 15.00 |
| Pulaski Heights | 23.52 |
| 28th Street | 15.00 |
| Winfield Church | 160.95 |
| Scott Street Church | 10.00 |
| Primrose Chapel | 19.00 |
| Mabelvale | 10.36 |
| Total | \$626.02 |

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| Monticello District | |
| Arkansas City-Watson | \$ 8.60 |
| Crossett | 25.00 |
| Dermott | 9.25 |
| Dumas | 10.00 |
| Drew Circuit | 4.00 |
| Eudora | 5.00 |
| Fountain Hill Circuit | 8.11 |
| Hamburg | 10.00 |
| Hermitage Circuit | 7.79 |
| Lake Village | 4.29 |
| McGehee | 10.00 |
| Monticello | 22.00 |
| Montrose-Snyder | 4.00 |
| Portland-Parkdale | 1.00 |
| Tillar-Winchester | 20.00 |
| Warren | 20.00 |
| Wilmar Circuit | 10.00 |
| Wilmot Circuit | 12.50 |
| Total | \$191.54 |

CHURCH NEWS

DEACONESSES APPROVE

We are very glad, Miss Dora Hoover and I, of the sane Christian counsel concerning America's duty to preserve democracy and international brotherhood which appears on the Winfield Church page. Gratefully yours.—Frances Denton (Retired Deaconess).

CALL FOR JOINT MEETING OF NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE BOARDS OF MISSIONS AND EDUCATION

Certain actions of the General Conference make it expedient that the Conference Boards of Missions and Education work closely together in certain very important areas of common interest. For this reason we are calling a joint meeting of these two Boards at Conway, during the Pastor's School, for Tuesday, July 2, at 2:30 p. m. Members of these Boards will please take notice and be present if possible.—A. W. Martin, Chairman, Conference Board of Missions, J. Q. Schisler, Chairman, Conference Board of Education.

FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

Members of the Children's and Young People's Divisions gave one cent for every year of their age to the work of the Red Cross, last Sunday, contributing a total of \$26.66. This is a worthy cause and our members responded liberally. If there are any who were unable to attend last Sunday and want to do so later, please bring your offering next Sunday.

The Beginner, Primary, Junior and Young People's Departments reached their attendance goals last Sunday with 26, 50, 67 and 68 respectively. The Century Class and the Rule Class attained their goals also. We congratulate these depart-

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| Pine Bluff District | |
| Altheimer-Wabbaseka | \$ 5.26 |
| Bayou Meto | 2.25 |
| DeWitt | 20.00 |
| Gillett | 8.50 |
| Grady-Gould | 14.51 |
| Good Faith-Whitehall | 5.00 |
| Little Prairie Ct.-Camp Shed | |
| Church | 2.50 |
| Pine Bluff: | |
| Carr Memorial | 6.00 |
| First Church | 110.00 |
| Hawley Memorial | 5.00 |
| Lakeside Church | 30.00 |
| Pine Bluff Circuit | 4.50 |
| Rison | 5.00 |
| Sheridan-New Hope | 10.00 |
| Sheridan Circuit | 4.00 |
| Star City Circuit | 5.00 |
| Stuttgart: | |
| First Church | 12.94 |
| Grand Avenue Church | 8.00 |
| Swan Lake Circuit | 6.00 |
| Total | \$264.46 |

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| Prescott District | |
| Amity Circuit | \$ 10.00 |
| Bingen Circuit | 3.43 |
| Blevins Circuit | 18.00 |
| Columbus Circuit | 4.00 |
| Emmett-Bierne | 13.51 |
| Forester-Mt. Ida | 5.54 |
| Glenwood | 2.25 |
| Mineral Springs Church | 2.50 |
| Murfreesboro-Delight | 17.32 |
| Nashville | 23.00 |
| Prescott Circuit | 2.25 |
| Springhill Circuit | 7.00 |
| Prescott Station | 10.00 |
| North Prescott Circuit | 4.00 |
| Gurdon Station | 15.00 |
| Saline Circuit | 2.00 |
| Washington-Ozan | 10.00 |
| Total | \$150.80 |

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| Texarkana District | |
| Ashdown | \$ 5.00 |
| DeQueen | 8.25 |
| Foreman | 4.37 |
| Horatio | 3.50 |
| Mena | 30.16 |
| Stamps | 8.00 |
| Texarkana-Fairview | 7.09 |
| Texarkana Circuit | 2.50 |
| Richmond Ct., Ogden Church | 1.50 |
| Total | \$ 70.97 |
| Grand Total | \$2,469.61 |

—C. E. Hayes, Treasurer.

ments and classes and urge others to bring their averages up during the two Sundays in June.

The Vacation School closed last Friday with a total enrollment of 101 children and 28 workers. This was one of the most successful schools held in recent years. The faithful staff of workers deserve our appreciation for their splendid work. Much of the interest in the school is due to the functioning of the Transportation Committee, Mrs. Carl Miller, chairman. Each worker rendered invaluable service after they arrived. Make your plans to send your children to the Vacation School next year.

The First Children's Workers Camp ever held in Little Rock Conference will be at Ferncliffe, July 9-11. Outstanding leaders from the Southwest will be present for specialized work. Among these are Miss Mary Skinner, Nashville, Tenn., Miss Norene Dunn, Mrs. C. W. Kent, Mrs. Lula Baird, Miss Elizabeth Workman, Mrs. Clay E. Smith and Mrs. L. P. Hutton. Mrs. Hutton is Superintendent of our Beginner Department and we are glad that she has been chosen one of the leaders. Mrs. Smith is also a member of our Church and has worked for many years in the Junior Department and has served as Director of Christian Education.

Eight members from our Senior High Department left last Monday for Hendrix College, to attend the Youth Assembly. This delegation will present a pageant, "The Cross Lifted Up," June 20. The pageant theme is missions and will be very inspirational and instructive. Miss Carolyn Baird, Miss Mary Allen Sayle and Miss Carolyn Cherry will lead the Morning Watch one morning. Others attending and taking part in the pageant are Miss Elizabeth Crossland, Miss Betty Carmean, Miss Carla Ann Julian, Bill Clements and Jack Rule.

The Older Young People's Assembly will be held at Hendrix June 24-28. Four of our young people have registered for this assembly. If you are interested in going please get in touch with Miss Sue Medlock before next Sunday.

Camp Ferncliffe will open June 24, for a week's camp. This is for boys and girls 12, 13, 14, and 15 years of age. This is a splendid opportunity for the boys and girls of our church to attend a camp directed by the Church. If others are interested please get in touch with Miss Hildeward Smith, counselor for the Junior High Department.

The Young People's Department exchanged programs with the young people from Second Baptist Church. For this special program more than forty of our young people attended. This is a part of the program of the Inter-Faith Youth Association including all the churches in Little Rock.—C. R. Hozendorf, Associate Pastor.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT BROTHERHOOD

The District Brotherhood met at First Church, June 13, with Dr. C. M. Reves presiding.

Hoyle Houser, our pastor at Keo-Tomberlin led our devotional using as his theme, "Jesus Our Ideal." He brought a worthwhile message. All preachers were present save three, whose absence was explained.

Each preacher gave a summary of the first six months and we were gratified to hear the reports as they reflected growth and optimism. Church-School Day offerings are

well ahead of last year, and \$5,000 more has been paid to date on Benevolences.

Mrs. Henderson, our new District Secretary for Women's Work, was presented and in well chosen words represented the work, closing with an urgent request that she be called on whenever she might be of service.

Mrs. Ray Scott spoke about the "Arkansas Better Government League" and passed petitions to each preacher to get signed up for a vote this fall on gambling in our state.

We went to the dining room where a good plate lunch was served, the preachers being guests of the Dist. Supt.

Miss Faye McRae, Miss Ruth Heflin, and Bro. Baker spoke during the noon hour about the work they represent.

A motion carried unanimously, authorizing the Dist Supt. to appoint a committee to draw up a resolution of thanks for the return to this Episcopal area of our able and lovable Bishop Selecman. C. N. Baker, Gaston Foote, and H. M. Fikes were appointed to furnish copies of the resolution to the Press.

After lunch we adjourned until fall, unless called by the District Superintendent sooner.

Rev. W. Neill Hart, Supt. of Pine Bluff District, was our guest and brought greetings.

A fine spirit of brotherhood prevailed and we all left feeling that Little Rock District was making good progress, but determined to do even greater things in the last half of the Conference year.—C. R. Roy, Secretary.

ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE

During the past week, several churches in the city and over the state have sent groups to visit us. We appreciate this very much. I wish it was more general. Nothing of interest is transpiring, everything doing well. Remember us in your prayers.—James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

MOUNT SEQUOYAH

On Mt. Sequoyah, June 10, the seventeenth season of the Western Methodist Assembly opened with representatives to the Northeast Oklahoma Youth Conference registered in the morning and heard Dr. Phil Deschner, district superintendent of the Tulsa District and president of the conference, deliver a great inspirational address on "Simple Essentials" at night.

The NEOYC will continue for two weeks, the first being devoted to senior young people and the second to intermediates. Outstanding Oklahoma Methodists like R. S. Satterfield, Guy C. Tetrick, and others are teaching courses dealing with ways to serve in the home, church and community. The general theme is "For Christ—Today."

An outstanding feature of the instruction program is a "Youth Forum," conducted by Rev. J. A. Callan, pastor of the First Methodist Church at Stillwater, Oklahoma. The young people spend twenty minutes each morning discussing their problems under the leadership of this authority on youth.

Returning visitors to the mountain this summer will notice the many improvements that have been made to the grounds and buildings. Ten new cottages in the auto camp have been built; the majority of the others have been painted and overhauled. Bath houses have been enlarged and running water install-

ed in all cottages. The grounds have been reconditioned and beautified.

In addition to physical improvements, the Assembly has added new recreational opportunities and plans a summer of intensive religious effort. Bishop C. C. Selecman, Bishop W. C. Martin, and John H. Hicks of the S. M. U. Theological School are only three of the score or more of outstanding leaders who will come to the mountain this summer to direct leadership, evangelical and missionary conferences.

Arkansas laymen should particularly note the Laymen's Conference, July 8-12, which will feature round-table discussions and will be under the leadership of Dr. G. L. Morelock, Secretary of the General Board of Lay Activities.

MEETING AT HOUSTON

We had a very successful meeting at Houston, which closed June 2. Rev. S. B. Bryant, pastor of our church at Oppelo, did the preaching. The services began May 23, running ten days, resulting in 19 conversions and reclamations, and 11 additions to the church, eight on profession of faith. This was the best revival the Houston church has had for many years. Our first prayer meeting following the revival was attended by a fine group of young people, many of whom were converted or reclaimed in the meeting, and quite a number of older ones in whose hearts the revival fires were still burning. The people and pastor appreciated Bro. Bryant's splendid work and pray God's rich blessings on him.—A. H. DuLaney, Pastor.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES

As Treasurer of the Little Rock Conference, I am reporting on Benevolences since the beginning of the Conference year through June 15.

Arkadelphia District

| | |
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| Arkadelphia Circuit | \$ 26.50 |
| Benton Station | 600.00 |
| Dalark Circuit | 96.00 |
| Friendship Circuit | 15.00 |
| Holly Springs Circuit | 33.00 |
| Hot Springs Circuit | 35.33 |
| Hot Springs: | |
| First Church | 620.00 |
| Oaklawn | 140.00 |
| Pullman Heights | 40.00 |
| Leola Circuit | 57.00 |
| Malvern Station | 200.00 |
| Pearcy Circuit | 6.00 |
| Princeton Circuit | 82.10 |
| Sparkman-Sardis | 75.00 |
| Traskwood Circuit | 5.00 |
| Total | \$2030.92 |

Camden District

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| Buckner Circuit | \$ 62.50 |
| Ebenezer Circuit | 17.50 |
| Camden, First Church | 425.00 |
| El Dorado, First Church | 980.00 |
| Fairview-Harmony Grove | 40.00 |
| Fordyce | 350.00 |
| Hampton-Harrell | 17.50 |
| Junction City Circuit | 37.75 |
| Magnolia Station | 300.00 |
| Mt. Vernon Circuit | 53.00 |
| Norphlet | 100.00 |
| Parker's Chapel & Fredonia Ct. | |
| Parker's Chapel | 44.00 |
| Fredonia | 62.22 |
| Smackover | 315.00 |
| Strong Circuit | 20.00 |
| Taylor Circuit | 100.00 |
| Thornton Circuit | 20.00 |
| Waldo | 275.00 |
| Total | \$3220.47 |

Little Rock District

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|-------------------------|----------|
| Austin Circuit | \$ 70.00 |
| Bryant Circuit | 48.94 |
| Carlisle Circuit | 35.00 |
| Carlisle Station | 125.00 |
| Des Arc-DeValls Bluff | 42.00 |
| Hickory Plains Circuit | 98.45 |
| Keo-Tomberlin | 8.50 |
| Little Rock: | |
| Asbury | 1401.00 |
| Capitol View | 300.00 |
| First Church | 1216.00 |
| Highland | 300.00 |
| Henderson | 179.00 |
| Hunter Mem. (In Full) | 225.00 |
| Pulaski Heights | 775.00 |
| Scott Street | 62.00 |
| 28th Street | 125.00 |
| Winfield Mem. (In Full) | 2500.00 |

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| Lonoke-Eagles' Chapel | 369.21 |
| Mabelvale | 100.00 |
| Primrose Chapel | 85.50 |
| Roland Circuit | 15.00 |
| Total | \$8087.60 |

Monticello District

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|-----------------------------|----------|
| Arkansas City-Watson | \$ 75.00 |
| Crossett | 225.00 |
| Drew Circuit | 8.35 |
| Dumas | 165.00 |
| Fountain Hill Circuit | 33.50 |
| Hermitage Circuit | 93.00 |
| Lake Village | 25.00 |
| Monticello | 250.00 |
| New Edinburg Circuit | 10.00 |
| Portland-Parkdale: Parkdale | 15.00 |
| Tillar-Winchester | 70.00 |
| Total | \$969.85 |

Pine Bluff District

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| Almyra Circuit | \$ 20.00 |
| Bayou Meto Circuit | 32.00 |
| Gillett Station | 40.00 |
| Good Faith-White Hall | 49.85 |
| Little Prairie Circuit | 15.75 |
| Pine Bluff, Lakeside Church | 65.00 |
| Rison | 50.00 |
| Rowell Circuit | 53.00 |
| St. Charles Circuit | 80.00 |
| Sheridan Circuit | 15.00 |
| Sheridan Station | 125.00 |
| Star City Circuit | 170.00 |
| Stuttgart, Grand Avenue Church | 200.00 |
| Swan Lake Circuit | 35.00 |
| Total | \$950.60 |

Prescott District

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| Amity Circuit | \$ 40.00 |
| Blevins Circuit (In Full) | 231.00 |
| Bingen Circuit | 23.03 |
| Columbus Circuit | 5.00 |
| Emmett-Bierne Circuit | 213.60 |
| Forester-Mt. Ida | 100.00 |
| Glenwood | 52.73 |
| Gurdon | 100.00 |
| Hope | 600.00 |
| Mineral Springs Circuit | 30.25 |
| Murfreesboro-Delight | 150.00 |
| North Prescott Circuit | 23.25 |
| Saline Circuit | 10.00 |
| Springhill Circuit | 18.95 |
| Washington-Ozan | 157.00 |
| Total | \$1854.81 |

Texarkana District

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| Ashdown | \$ 30.00 |
| Doddridge Circuit | 31.35 |
| DeQueen | 75.00 |
| Foreman Station | 200.50 |
| Fouke Circuit | 6.00 |
| Horatio | 68.00 |
| Lewisville-Bradley | 97.00 |
| Mena | 190.00 |
| Stamps | 25.00 |
| Texarkana, First Church | 1491.64 |
| Texarkana Ct. (In Full) | 110.00 |
| Umpire Circuit | 10.00 |
| Total | \$2334.49 |

Golden Cross

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| Hunter Mem., Little Rock | \$ 3.25 |
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| DeWitt | 7.09 |
| Star City Circuit | 5.00 |
| Blevins Circuit | 10.00 |
| Total | \$25.34 |

Grand Total Received from beginning of Conference Year through June 15 \$19,474.09
—C. E. Hayes, Conference Treasurer.

MINISTERIAL SUSTENTATION FUND

As Treasurer, I am reporting remittances received on the Ministerial Sustentation Fund for the Conference Year, through June 15.

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| Arkadelphia Station | \$ 7.50 |
| Rev. Forest E. Dudley, Arkadelphia Station | 7.50 |
| Camden Circuit | 4.00 |
| Taylor Circuit | 2.00 |
| Winfield Mem., Little Rock | 50.00 |
| Rev. George G. Meyer, pastor, England Station | 6.75 |
| Blevins Circuit | 12.90 |
| Rev. C. H. Giessen, pastor, Blevins Circuit | 6.00 |
| Murfreesboro-Delight | 6.00 |
| Rev. G. W. Robertson, pastor, Murfreesboro-Delight Charge | 6.00 |
| Washington-Ozan Charge | 5.00 |
| Nashville Station | 12.00 |
| Total | \$125.65 |

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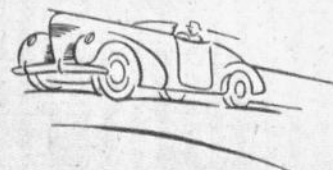
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Vacation Ahead

Sue had stayed after Scout meeting to help Miss Sanders, the captain, put away some supplies. She was very quiet as she worked. This surprised Miss Sanders as Sue was usually jolly and talkative.

"You don't look very happy, Sue," she remarked. "It seems you would, with vacation only two weeks away."

"That's just the trouble," answered Sue. "I'm not going to have any vacation."

"Why, Sue!" exclaimed Miss Sanders, "you're not going to summer school, are you?"

"No, I mean I'm not going anywhere. I have to stay home all summer," she complained.

"Oh," said Miss Sanders thoughtfully, "but you can still have a vacation."

"But it won't be any fun," objected Sue. "I most always have gone to camp. Now mother says we can't afford any trips. We had a fire at our house this spring and that did a lot of damage."

"Yes," sympathized Miss Sanders. "I remember. Your mother burned her hands trying to save things, I believe."

"Yes, and of course I feel sorry about that. But I did so want to go to camp," mourned Sue.

"What do you like best at camp?" asked the captain.

"Oh, there are so many things. I like nature-study and campfire cooking. Swimming and tennis are my favorites. Then I shall certainly miss the council fires and stunts."

"It does sound good," agreed Miss Sanders, "but most of those things can also be done at home."

"Oh, but it wouldn't be the same!"

"No, not the same but equally enjoyable. Let's consider each thing you mentioned and see how it can be carried out. Take nature-study. Here in the city you have a wonderful opportunity. The parks are filled with birds, squirrels and various plants. Then there are opportunities for excursions into the country."

"But what about instruction?"

"Why not teach yourself? You can get helpful materials at the libraries."

"I believe I could do that," responded Sue. "Perhaps I could earn a merit badge."

"I'm sure you could. You should be able to earn one in cooking, also. It is almost as much fun to cook at home as over a campfire."

"I already know how to cook some. I'll get mother to let me cook a whole meal. If only there were some way to manage the swimming. I won't be able to afford to go to the pools much."

"Here is some good news for you, then. I happen to know that over at the East Pool they are looking for a girl to watch the small children's pool. You have your junior life-saving badge. In return, you will get a season's ticket and free diving instruction."

"Oh, how wonderful!" cried Sue. "I'll see about it tomorrow. I do believe I'll be able to do everything I do at camp. Perhaps I can forget about the rest."

"That may not be necessary. Sue, there must be some other girls who are staying home."

"None I know very well. Judy, Beth and Jill are going as usual."

"You know, Sue, I've been thinking lately that it's too bad that you

four always stick so close together. You are missing a lot by not becoming acquainted with the others. I've noticed Lysa, the new girl, looking at your group with wistful eyes."

"Why," said Sue in surprise, "I have thought I'd like to know her. But I didn't know how."

"Why don't you find out at the next meeting what girls are going to stay home," suggested Miss Sanders. "Then you can meet and form a club."

"Oh, that will be fun! Miss Sanders, you are lovely. I would never have thought of this myself."

"Yes, you would, if you had given yourself a chance. But you were like most of us; you were too busy thinking about what you couldn't have instead of what you might do. Now I'd like for you to do one more thing. Write out what you consider the objectives of a vacation, whether at home or away."

Sue was busy for a while. When she had finished her friend asked her to read what she had written.

"I believe that a vacation should help one:

"1. Build good health through plenty of outdoor exercise;

"2. Learn something new;

"3. Make new friends;

"4. Participate in varied activities;

"5. Establish new enthusiasm that will last through the next year."

"That is fine, Sue. I'd like to read that to the girls next time."

"Thank you so much, Miss Sanders, for helping me. I can hardly wait for vacation to begin!"—The Girls' World.

GROWING IMPORTANCE OF LAKE JUNALUSKA AND MOUNT SEQUOYAH

That the centers for summer activities at Lake Junaluska and Mt. Sequoyah will have increasing importance in The Methodist Church is the opinion of Bishop Paul B. Kern. He looks upon these institutions as especially strategic for the development of a conference, district, and local church leadership in the Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictions, respectively, with possibilities for the church at large.

For many years Bishop Kern has been closely identified with both institutions. He has the unique distinction of having served as chairman of the Board of Trustees for both of them. His relation to the total program of the church and his understanding of the needs of the church for a better prepared leadership have given him unusual insight with reference to the significance of the summer activities.

"It is my belief," said Bishop Kern, "that Lake Junaluska and Mt. Sequoyah are of utmost importance to the church, especially in the areas where they are located. They should be looked upon as meeting a need that cannot be supplied in any other way. They are strategically located, are well equipped, and have already become deeply entrenched in the life of the church."

"The General Boards, in co-operation with the management, should bring the best talent in the religious leadership of the world to these assemblies. They should offer programs that are timely, including courses for study, platform addresses, conferences and forum hours. The programs should be in keeping with the evangelical emphasis of Methodism."

In discussing the relation of the

assemblies to the General Board of Christian Education, the Bishop expressed the opinion that "this Board should continue to magnify them as opportunities for developing conference, district, and local church leaders." He thinks that the plans that have been followed in the past have helped to develop unity of action between the General and Conference Boards, and that this feature is important for the future. Special attention has been given to this in the programs for this summer. The Pastors' Conference at Lake Junaluska each summer was commended for the outstanding leadership provided.

Bishop Kern also expressed appreciation for what the General Board of Education is doing for youth through the Young People's Leadership Conferences and Camp Cheonda at Lake Junaluska and Camp Oquoyah at Mount Sequoyah. He thinks these enterprises should be developed to become even more effective in producing youth leaders.

The General Board of Missions, in the opinion of Bishop Kern, is making an excellent use of the assemblies in the Schools of Missions and Missionary Conferences. "These assemblies can become sources of great missionary power in the new church as the conference and district missionary secretaries and leaders in the women's work study their problems and plan procedures," said Bishop Kern.

Likewise, Bishop Kern recognizes the supreme values offered the layman in the conferences planned by the General Board of Lay Activities as well as the conferences on evangelism.

It is the judgment of Bishop Kern that the church should give larger financial support to both Lake Junaluska and Mount Sequoyah. Their importance for developing leadership and for helping the General and Conference Boards to coordinate their programs is significant. These assemblies are also commended by Bishop Kern to Methodists of means who are interested in contributing large amounts to worthy institutions.—In The Church School Magazine.

CHRISTIAN RURAL FELLOWSHIP ESSAY CONTEST

The Christian Rural Fellowship, New York, has organized an essay contest on the subject: "What Are the Characteristics of a Christian Rural Community?" Three prizes are offered of \$100.00, \$50.00 and \$25.00. The contest is open to any interested person. This includes not only professional religious workers, but laymen and laywomen. The closing date of the contest is November 15, 1940. Complete details outlining the scope of the subject and the conditions of the contest may be had by writing to the Christian Rural Fellowship, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y. The Christian Rural Fellowship is an undenominational organization whose purpose is to promote Christian ideals for agriculture and rural life; to interpret the spiritual and religious values which inhere in the processes of agriculture and the relationships of rural life; to magnify and dignify the rural church; to provide a means of fellowship and cooperation among rural agencies: *Toward a Christian Rural Civilization.*

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Each week the News Reporter brings to the local community developments in the world of religion in the United States and the world abroad. It is actually put on the air over many local stations by clergymen, church groups of men and women, inter-faith groups, ministerial associations, Christian associations, youth groups, Church federations, religious educators, and colleges.

The program already has made its way over more than 40 radio stations, among them some well-known call letters.

THINGS ONE REMEMBERS

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OBITUARIES

JESSUP—Mrs. Ida Lock Jessup was born near Fairfield, Ill., May 19, 1865.

She passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. R. Andrews in Bayou Meto, Ark., May 13, 1940. She lived a consecrated Christian life of love and service. Her radiant Christian experiences were felt by her friends and everyone who knew her. Funeral services were held at the Carlisle Methodist Church of which she had been a member for many years, by Rev. J. M. Workman and Rev. W. R. Boyd. She was laid to rest in Carlisle cemetery by the side of her husband, Frank Jessup, who passed away in July, 1933. One daughter, Mrs. E. E. Brandt preceded her in death in May, 1936. Surviving are three sons, John and Frank Jessup of Carlisle; Egbert, of Glenwood, Ark.; and two daughters, Mrs. D. D. Tilbury of Parkdale, Ark., and Mrs. C. R. Andrews of Bayou Meto, Ark., with whom she made her home.

A Fine Catechism For Infants

Some years ago Mrs. Carrie Thornburgh, first wife of Col. Geo. Thornburgh, prepared an Infant Catechism which met a felt need and became deservedly popular. It was supposed to be out of print; but recently a considerable number was found. The original price was five cents a copy and 50 cents a dozen. They may now be had for 5 cents a copy or 25 cents a dozen. Order of the Arkansas Methodist. Stamps may be used in payment.

FOR THE CHILDREN

CLOSE TO MY HEART

There are plenty of kittens all fluffy and puffy,
As cunning and cute as can be,
But my little white one is truly the right one
To be a companion to me.

There are millions of kittens all patterns and colors,
I am sure they are someone's delight;
I view them with pleasure; but always my treasure
Is this little bundle of white.

Though all the wee kittens have ways that are charming,
And each one is doing its part,
This spry little, bright little, white little kitten
Just snuggles up close to my heart.—Our Dumb Animals.

MAMA'S STORY

"A fairy story!" coaxed Nan.

"Oh, no—please! Tell one about bears an' things—or soldiers!" put in Morris. In his eagerness, he tumbled over the big white cat at mamma's feet, he was so anxious to ward off the fairy story!

"They're just for girls, fairy stories are! There isn't any sense to 'em!" he explained.

Mamma looked down into both little faces and laughed. She wanted to please them both, as mammas always do.

"Well," she said, after a few minutes' thought, "I'll make a compromise between you."

"A—what, mamma?"

"A com-pro-mise. That means half-way between your story, Morris, and Annie's. There shall be a soldier in it and fairies. That is, it won't be really true; though, a very, very great while ago, indeed, people believed it. They believed ever so many impossible things. Well, once on a—?"

Mamma paused questioningly.

"Oh, yes. 'Once on a time,' mamma! 'Course we want you to begin it that way!'"

"Well, once on a time—a make-believe time—there was a wonderful river called the 'S-t-y-x' not 's-t-i-c-k-s!' It was so wonderful that, if people bathed in its waters, it made them proof against the enemies' arrow ever after. Wherever they had been touched by the sacred waters of the Styx, they could never be wounded. It was as if they were covered with thick armor.

"Now, a certain mother had a little boy named Achilles, who was going to be a warrior—a soldier—when he grew up; and she longed to make him safe from harm on the battlefield. Can you guess what she did?"

"Kept him hugged right up in her arms, an' wouldn't let him go to war—ev-er," said Annie, decidedly. But Morris caught the right idea.

"Washed him all over in—that funny river," he said.

"Yes, all but one little heel that she held him by. That did not get wet, you see. And so, long after, when he had been through almost numberless battles unscathed, the enemy shot an arrow into his heel—the only spot on his body that the water of the Styx hadn't touched—and killed him."

"Oh, I am so sorry!" tender-hearted Annie murmured. "I wish his mother had changed heels, and got that one wet, too!"

"And that is why," she went on, "the big tendon, or cord, in your

heel, that helps lift it up so easily, is called the tendon of Achilles this minute!"—Religious Herald.

WATCHING THE PRIMROSE BLOOM

Little Gertrude had seen many flowers all her life in the city, but until she went to visit her grandmother in the country, she had never seen a big, old-fashioned garden, full of all kinds of lovely flowers, and she was delighted.

As she was very careful not to step on the flower beds or pick the flowers, without permission, her grandmother allowed her to play and walk in the garden just as much as she wanted to. And Gertrude was very happy and stayed with the pretty flowers many hours each day.

"I wish, grandmother," she said, one day, "I could see some flowers bloom. Somehow they are always just buds or are all bloomed out. I have watched them many times, but I never saw them really blooming. Did you ever see a flower come right out?"

"Yes, dear," said grandmother. "Many times, and you can, too. The evening primroses are just ready to bloom, and tonight I feel sure we can see some really bursting into bloom."

So that night, about seven o'clock, when it was still light, but the sun had set, Gertrude went with her grandmother into the garden. They went to the bed where the giant evening primroses grew. The plants were almost as tall as Gertrude, and were covered with tall, pointed buds, each shut up closely in a reddish cover. This cover is called the calyx.

Here and there a little point of yellow was sticking out of the top of a calyx. "Watch these very closely," said grandmother. Suddenly a tall plant gave a little shiver. "Look sharp!" cried grandmother; and the first thing Gertrude knew, to her great surprise, a calyx split open, and a yellow flower began to untwist. Then, with a quick movement the pointed parts of the calyx fell backward, and the flower spread out into full bloom—a lovely lemon yellow, and larger than a silver dollar. All over the plants the flowers were coming out. "There's another. There's another!" cried Gertrude, excitedly.

It was not long before seventy flowers were in bloom. Gertrude, with her grandmother's help, counted them.

"There, that is all for tonight. There are no more large buds," said grandmother; "and it is time for little girls to go to bed."

"They are almost too pretty to leave," said Gertrude, gazing at the tall flower-filled plants, and sniffing their delicate perfume. "Will they stay in bloom all night?"

"Yes, they will keep in bloom a little while tomorrow morning. But as soon as the sun gets hot, they will all droop and soon fall off. But tomorrow night just as many more will be ready to bloom."

After this for many evenings Gertrude watched the blooming of the primroses.—Alabama Christian Advocate.

A HELPFUL HEART

It is a fine thing to do kindly, helpful deeds. It is one of the very finest in the world. But there is something finer than the helpful hand; it is the helpful heart.

INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for June 23

MALACHI DEMANDS HONESTY TOWARD GOD

LESSON TEXT—Malachi 3:7-18.
GOLDEN TEXT—Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me how herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.—Malachi 3:10.

Spiritually sick—and desperately so—was Israel in the days of Malachi. The nation had been released from captivity in Babylon and had been back in their own land for almost a century. The outburst of religious enthusiasm which characterized their return had resulted in the rebuilding of the temple (Ezra 1:1-4). In this they were encouraged by Haggai, as we recall from our lesson of last Sunday. They had later been led by Nehemiah in renewed interest in spiritual things and in the rebuilding of the city wall, but now again they had turned away from God. Malachi came with what one might call God's last word before judgment upon their sins. The lesson centers around four words.

I. Apostasy.

"Ye have turned aside" (v. 7, R. V.). This was God's complaint against His people. In spite of His blessings upon them, they had intermarried with the heathen, they had dealt treacherously with their brethren, and had neglected to worship God. What was even worse, they felt no conviction about their sin and denied that they owed God anything, not even the debt of common gratitude.

Read the insolent, self-confident questions and assertions of the people in verses 7, 8, 13 and 14. Think how perfectly they fit the attitude of thousands of unbelievers and backslidden Christians in our day. One might almost think that Malachi were reading the secret thoughts of our own people, and possibly of our own hearts.

II. Robbery.

Illness commonly has its center of infection, whether it be physical or spiritual sickness. Malachi struck at a very vital point when he revealed that the heart of Israel's difficulty was dishonesty toward God.

That dishonesty reflected itself in spiritual things, but, since Malachi was talking to an arguing generation (just like ours), he gave them a concrete illustration of their deceit—they had withheld from God the tithes and offerings.

Men who would never cheat the telephone company out of a nickel will rob God consistently Sunday after Sunday by sanctimoniously slipping a thin dime into the collection plate. If that is all a man can and should give, God will bless it and multiply it for His glory. But certainly it does not benefit one who lives in luxury to give God's work the smallest piece of change which he can decently slip into the plate.

Tithing may be said to be an Old Testament principle. Doubtless it is also true that the principle of New Testament Christianity is that all we have belongs to God, but

often the one who hides behind that fact does not give as much as the people of Old Testament times. Is that honest?

III. Judgment.

God is love, but that does not mean that His patience is without limit nor that He will forever withhold judgment. He says, through Malachi (v. 9), "Ye are cursed with a curse." The blessing has been withheld (v. 10). The devourer is in the land (v. 11). He promised them release and blessing if they repented and returned to the right way, which obviously means that their failure to do so would bring judgment. We know that Israel despised God's warning and to this day is paying for its sin. Will America be wise enough to heed God's call?

IV. Blessing.

So often the loving God had to speak through His prophets of impending judgment on sin, but how gracious He is in that He always holds out the promise of blessing for repentance and obedience.

Look at the precious promise in verse 10. Thousands of Christians join the writer in saying, "That is true in A. D. 1940 just as it was in 400 B. C." Read verses 11 and 12. Note that our God is not only a great God, but a good God. Consider the blessings of spiritual fellowship—the certainty of victory revealed in verses 16 and 17. One marvels that Israel could resist such a loving plea just as one wonders also why men of our own day of God's grace still resist His gracious invitation.

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Our New Members

Mr. Leonard Cogbill, 3708 West 11th, vows.
Mr. E. S. Wilcox, 1521½ College, vows.
Mrs. E. S. Wilcox, 1521½ College, baptism.

BABIES CHRISTENED

Jack Sidney, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Singleton, 126 Johnson.
Louis Ivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Van Lanningham, 1914 Marshall.

OUR SYMPATHY

The sincere sympathy of the congregation is extended to Mr. Fletcher Whiteside and family, whose sister, Mrs. Nettie Whiteside Walker, of Pomona, California, passed away on June 16.

Also to Mr. J. A. Anderton, whose uncle, Mr. J. T. Anderton of Tullahoma, Tennessee, passed away on June 13.

CONGRATULATIONS, MRS. STEED

Each week Tipon and Hurst, Florists, presents an orchid and dedicates a radio program on Sunday afternoon to an outstanding citizen of Little Rock. Last week this honor went to our choir director, Mrs. I. J. Steed. We think this is a well deserved tribute and congratulate her upon receiving it.

OUR KNOWN SICK

Mrs. Hal Pinnell is now at home, 105 W. 24th, after having undergone an operation at the Baptist Hospital on Friday.

Mrs. B. A. Burns is ill at her home on the Hot Springs Highway.

MR. AND MRS. FOOTE will return tomorrow (Friday) from Texas, where they visited Mr. Foote's mother, who, hurt in an automobile accident a month ago, is still in a critical condition.

"BUILD THE CHURCH SCHOOL" COMMITTEE

The meeting last Sunday morning was challenged with six needed activities in each class and department, if we are to beat the summer slump in the Church School. Here they are:

1. A Telephone Committee in each class and department actively at work through the week.
2. Materials supplied through the office for each secretary for mailing to absentees.
3. Assignments of Prospect Cards to each class every Sunday.
4. The secretary and president of each class responsible for the Prospect Cards and getting a report on each the following Sunday.
5. The secretary of each adult class or chairman of Sick Committee responsible for reporting the members who are sick to the office and the class members to visit the sick.
6. Each class to promote social activities for the group.

These six needed activities will not produce results except as each activity is carried out by the parties assigned the responsibility. These activities will produce results if each class and department will earnestly carry them out.

THE COMMITTEE MEETS EACH SUNDAY MORNING, 9:30 A. M. HAVE YOUR REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT ON TIME FOR THIS MEETING.

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Next Sunday At Winfield

- 10:00 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL—"YOU help the Church School GROW."
11:00 A. M. "WHAT PRICE LIBERTY?"—Sermon by Pastor.
6:30 P. M. Jr-High, Senior and Young People's Leagues and the Sunday Evening Club.
8:00 P. M. Religious Drama—"The Heart of a Dream."
"GOD'S DREAM"—Sermon by Associate Pastor.

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

Current Criticisms of the Church

Real friends of the church welcome constructive criticism. If the day ever comes when the church ceases to have its critics it will be a sure sign of having lost its vitality. No one criticises a dead person or a dead institution.

Among the current criticisms of the church we hear that it is unfriendly. We confess that there is an element of truth here. But strange to say this fault can only be overcome BY THE CHURCH MEMBER HIMSELF. What a great thing it would be if every member of the church considered himself or herself a sort of host and personally welcomed some visitor or stranger or got acquainted with some fellow member at every worship service.

Others say that the program of the church is dull, uninteresting and monotonous. Again we confess that in many instances this is the case. But dull and listless church activities are caused by people who ARE THEMSELVES ONLY HALF-HEARTEDLY INTERESTED. They pursue their church work from a sense of duty. What a difference it would make if every person responsible for the program of the church were dynamically interested in his particular job. Interested people inevitably produce interesting programs.

Still others say the church is accomplishing very little. Too little, we grant you. But more can be accomplished only as members personally accomplish more. There are people about us who ought to be enlisted, children who ought to be in the Church School, sick who should be visited—in fact, all of us see more to do than we could possibly get done, if we will but look for it.

SO—

It Isn't The Church—It's You

If you want to have the kind of a church

Like the kind of a church you like,

You needn't slip your clothes in a grip

And start on a long, long hike.

You'll only find what you left behind,

For there's nothing really new

It's a knock at yourself when you knock your church,
It isn't the church—its YOU. —Author Unknown.

Christian Education

By HAL H. PINNELL

Church School Attendance

Last Sunday 604
A Year Ago 529

Departmental Reports

| | Pres. | On Time | Cont. | Ch. |
|--------|-------|---------|-------|-----|
| Jr. Hi | 54 | 50 | 32 | 30 |
| Sr. Hi | 54 | 36 | 34 | 31 |
| Y. P. | 44 | 43 | 28 | 26 |

Adult Report

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| Hinton Class | 50 |
| Men's Class | 46 |
| Couples Class | 45 |
| Jenkins Class | 35 |
| Fidelity Class | 27 |
| Brothers' Class | 24 |
| Ashby Class | 19 |
| Bullington Memorial Class | 16 |
| Young Men's Class | 14 |
| Young Couples Class | 7 |

Total 282

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| Young People Evening | 20 |
| Senior High | 23 |
| Junior High | 19 |
| Sunday Evening Club | 36 |

SUNDAY EVENING PROGRAM

Young People's Department: Subject, "Worshipping God Through Rituals." Jim Major, leader.

Senior High Department: Subject, "Discovering My Vocation." Warren Crouse, leader.

Junior High Department: Leader, Miss Helen Dillahunt.

Sunday Evening Club: Mr. L. H. Caldwell will speak to the Club on "My Experiences In China." Mr. Warren McCoy will give a vocal solo.

SENIOR HIGH ASSEMBLY

The delegates to the Senior Assembly at Conway this week are: Duane Brothers, Virginia Arnold and Billy Louise Wilson. Mrs. J. R. Henderson of Winfield is also attending the Assembly and is a member of the staff.

JENKINS CLASS PICNIC

The Mae Jenkins Class will meet at Millwood, 12 noon, next Tuesday, June 25, for a picnic. All members are urged to come.

MOTHERS' CLASS LEADS AGAIN

With an attendance of 50 last Sunday the Hinton class led all other classes in attendance. THE SECRET—the members reported 13 personal calls upon absentees and prospects. CLASS PRESIDENTS, OFFICERS and TEACHERS, if you want to build attendance, PERSONAL VISITS MUST BE MADE TO ABSENTEES AND PROSPECTS.

Here is the percentage of enrollment in attendance last Sunday:

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| Hinton Class | 70 pct. present |
| Men's Class | 62 pct. present |
| Couples | 53 pct. present |
| Brothers' | 52 pct. present |
| Young Men | 50 pct. present |
| Jenkins | 49 pct. present |
| Ashby | 48 pct. present |
| Fidelity | 47 pct. present |
| Bullington Mem. | 38 pct. present |
| Young Couples | 36 pct. present |

LET'S GO AFTER THE ABSENT HALF OF OUR CLASSES!

REPORT PROSPECTS to church membership at the church office, giving their names and correct address. This enables the pastors of the church to contact these people in an effort to enlist them. You may phone their names to the church secretary. Phone 2-1990. Thanks.